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FOLLOWING ARE REMARKS BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSEN UPON FOREIGN MINISTER'S DEPARTURE FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT NOVEMBER 1:

SECRETARY VANCE: LET ME JUST SAY WHAT A GREAT PLEASURE IT'S BEEN AND AN HONOR FOR US TO WELCOME THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND HAVE THE CHANCE TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON A WIDE VARIETY OF SUBJECTS. WE SEE EACH OTHER FREQUENTLY THESE DAYS, WHICH IS ALWAYS A TREAT FOR ME, BUT WE ALWAYS COVER A LARGE VARIETY OF TOPICS OF COMMON INTEREST TO US, NOT ONLY OF A BILATERAL NATURE, BUT COVERING WORLD PROBLEMS IN GENERAL; AND I GAIN GREATLY FROM THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS THAT WE HAD AS WE COVERED THESE VARIOUS SUBJECTS. THEY COVERED A RANGE WHICH INCLUDED THE MIDDLE EAST, SOUTHERN AFRICA, NORTH/SOUTH QUESTIONS, EAST/WEST RELATIONS AND MANY OTHERS. LET ME SAY AGAIN,
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MR. MINISTER, WHAT A PLEASURE IT'S BEEN FOR US.

FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSEN: I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN. (INAUDIBLE)

SECRETARY VANCE: THANK YOU.

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Q: DID YOU DISCUSS RELATIONS BETWEEN CUBA AND THE UNITED STATES?

SECRETARY VANCE: YES, I WAS VERY PLEASED TO HAVE A CHANCE TO HEAR OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S TRIP TO CUBA AND THE IMPRESSIONS WHICH HE GAINED UPON THAT TRIP, AND ALSO TO DISCUSS SOME OF OUR THOUGHTS WITH RESPECT TO PROBLEMS THAT LIE AHEAD IN THAT PARTICULAR AREA.

Q: WHEN YOU SAID SIR, THAT YOU GAINED GREATLY FROM YOUR TALKS WITH OUR FOREIGN MINISTER, DOES THAT RELATE ALSO TO YOUR TALKS ON CUBA AND THE CUBAN POSITION TOWARD THE UNITED STATES?

SECRETARY VANCE: YES, THE BETTER INFORMED I AM ON THAT SUBJECT AS WELL AS OTHER SUBJECTS THE BETTER IT IS FOR ME, AND I DID LEARN AND BENEFIT FROM THAT. WE'RE ALSO LOOKING FORWARD VERY MUCH TO THE PERIOD WHEN DENMARK WILL BE IN THE PRESIDENCY OF THE EC-9 WHICH WILL BE COMING UP, AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT PERIOD AS WELL.

Q: THANK YOU. VANCE

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